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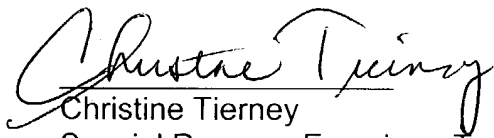
In re application of :
Lawrence Conaway et al :
Serial No. 10/715,186 :
Filed: November 17, 2003 :
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING :
BITUMEN FROM PARTICULATE SUBSTRATES :

DECISION ON
PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed November 17, 2003 requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status under sections 708.02(V) and (VI) of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) – no fee required.

The request for Special Status is granted because the criteria set forth in MPEP 708.02(V) and (VI) and 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met.

The petition is GRANTED.



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